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Mary Rychnovsky concentrates her practice primarily on the defense of personal injury lawsuits involving products liability, premises liability and toxic torts. She has significant experience in insurance defense litigation, primarily in the areas of ERISA and legal malpractice. Prior to joining Williams Venker & Sanders, Mary worked as a risk manager for a legal malpractice insurance carrier advising attorneys on ethical and malpractice issues.

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**EDUCATION:**

- ◆ Saint Louis University School of Law, J.D., 1993
- ◆ University of Missouri - Columbia, B.A. and B.J., 1988

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**PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS:**

- ◆ Missouri Bar
  - Member, Professionalism Committee
- ◆ Illinois State Bar Association
- ◆ American Bar Association
- ◆ Defense Research Institute
- ◆ Women Lawyers' Association
- ◆ Bar Association of Metropolitan St. Louis
  - Member, Professional Ethics and Methods Practice Committee

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**CIVIC AND CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES:**

- ◆ Chairman, Steering Committee, Dress for Success Midwest
- ◆ Volunteer Attorney, St. Louis Volunteer Lawyers and Accountants for the Arts

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**PUBLICATIONS AND LECTURES:**

- ◆ Speaker, *Ethical Issues Arising in Benzene Discovery*, Mealey's Benzene Litigation Conference (2008)
- ◆ Speaker, *Recent Epidemiological Studies Relating to Friction Products*, Harris Martin Asbestos Litigation Conference (2007)
- ◆ Speaker, *Ethical Considerations in Filing and Defending Motions for Sanctions*, Mealey's Benzene Litigation Conference (2007)
- ◆ Speaker, *Are You Exposed?* (2001)
- ◆ Speaker, *The Wave of the Future-Ethics in Cyberspace* (2001)
- ◆ Speaker, *An Ounce of Prevention - Hidden Dangers for the Wary Lawyer* (2001)
- ◆ Speaker, *The Golden Rules of Avoiding Malpractice* (2000)
- ◆ Speaker, *Money - Fees, Billing and Your Client's Property* (2000)
- ◆ Speaker, *Everyday Ethics in Your Law Office* (2000)
- ◆ Speaker, *Defending the ERISA Claim* (1997, 1999)

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**BAR ADMISSIONS:**

- ◆ United States Court of Appeals
  - Eighth Circuit
- ◆ United States District Courts
  - Eastern District of Missouri
- ◆ Missouri
- ◆ Illinois